

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:
- an image carrier moved in a sub-scanning direction;
 - an exposure device which ~~sean~~ scans, with the an exposure light, the image carrier along a main scanning direction to form a latent image on the image carrier;
 - a developing unit which ~~supply~~ supplies a toner to the latent image to effect development;
 - a transfer unit which ~~transfer~~ transfers a resultant toner image to a sheet, and
 - a fixing device which ~~fix~~ fixes the transferred toner image to the sheet, wherein the exposure device comprises:
 - a housing;
 - a light emitting section which ~~emit~~ emits a laser beam ~~based on an image~~ signal;
 - a polygon mirror provided in the vicinity of a side in the housing, which includes a plurality of reflection planes along the main scanning direction to deflect the laser beam in the main scanning direction;
 - a mirror provided in the vicinity of another side in the housing, which reflects the laser beam deflected by the polygon mirror at a predetermined angle to guide the laser beam outside the housing; and
 - a projection provided on an outer surface of the housing between the polygon mirror and the mirror,
 - wherein the housing is rotated about the projection.
 - ~~a deflecting/scanning section which deflect the laser beam emitted from the light emitting section toward the main scanning direction and scanning, with the exposure light, the image carrier to form a latent image on the image carrier;~~

~~an optical member which conduct the laser beam deflected by the deflecting/scanning section to the image carrier; and~~

~~a rotation shaft located on an axis passing through a narrower linear exposure light spot illuminated on the image carrier by the laser beam conducted through the optical member, wherein~~

~~the tilt of the exposure light spot relative to the image carrier is corrected by rotating the device about the rotation shaft.~~

5.-6. (Canceled)

7. (New) The image forming apparatus according to claim 4 further comprising:
a frame having a hole into which the projection is fitted, which supports the housing of the exposure device in such a manner that the housing can rotate about the projection.

8. (New) The image forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the central axis of the projection passes through an exposure light spot of the laser beam irradiated on the image carrier.

9. (New) The image forming apparatus according to claim 8 further comprising:
a correction lens which corrects variations in the tilts of the plurality of reflection planes.

10. (New) The image forming apparatus according to claim 9, wherein the correction lens comprises two f θ lenses.

11. (New) An exposure apparatus comprising:
a housing;
a light emitting section which emits a laser beam;
a polygon mirror provided in the vicinity of a side in the housing, which includes a plurality of reflection planes along a main scanning direction to deflect the laser beam in the main scanning direction;

a mirror provided in the vicinity of another side in the housing, which reflects the laser beam deflected by the polygon mirror at a predetermined angle to guide the laser beam outside the housing; and

a projection provided on an outer surface of the housing between the polygon mirror and the mirror,

wherein the housing is rotated about the projection.

12. (New) The exposure apparatus according to claim 11 further comprising:
a correction lens which corrects variations in the tilts of the plurality of reflection planes.